



# Guide to Grants

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Welcome to the *Guide to Grants!*

I am honored to represent the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama. One of the most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with information about federal funding opportunities. Now more than ever, grant opportunities are vital to the success of our local governments, organizations and other entities.

My office has prepared a weekly guide that will identify federal and foundation grant opportunities. This Guide will include links to grant writing resources to help you make your proposals more successful.

This Guide will describe funding opportunities for economic development, infrastructure, healthcare and educational projects. In addition, my office will be pleased to provide a Letter of Support for grant applications for projects in the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. Please let us know when grants are awarded, especially if you found the opportunities in the *Guide to Grants*. We want to share the great news with everyone!

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## Section I      ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). It is the resource for all Federal grants.
  - To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit <http://foundationcenter.org/>. The Foundation Center is a gateway to information about private funding sources and provides guidelines about how to write a grant proposal. It also provides links to state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites.
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## Section II      PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

### U.S. Department of Agriculture

The USDA is accepting applications for loan guarantees in the Biorefinery Assistance Program; Repowering Assistance Program; and the Bioenergy Program for Advanced Biofuels.

**Program:**                      Biorefinery Assistance Program

**Deadline:**                    May 10, 2011

**Funding Agency:**        USDA

**Federal Funding:**        \$463 Million

**Description:**              The USDA is seeking applications to increase the production and use of renewable energy sources. Funding is available from three USDA Rural Development renewable energy programs authorized by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Farm Bill). The Biorefinery Assistance Program provides loan guarantees to develop and construct commercial-scale biorefineries or to retrofit existing facilities using eligible technology for the development of advanced biofuels.

**How to Apply:**              Details about how to apply are available in the March 11, 2011 Federal Register, page 13351.

**Website:**<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentidonly=true&contentid=2011/03/0116.xml>

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**Program:** The Repowering Assistance Program

**Deadline:** June 9, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA

**Federal Funding:** \$25 million

**Description:** The Repowering Assistance Program is designed to encourage the use of renewable biomass as a replacement fuel source for fossil fuels used to process heat or power in the operation of eligible biorefineries (those biorefineries in existence on June 18, 2008 -- the date the 2008 Farm Bill was enacted). Eligible project costs will be only for project related construction costs for repowering improvements associated with the equipment, installation, engineering, design, site plans, associated professional fees, permits and financing fees. Under this notice, USDA is making available approximately \$25 million to make payments to eligible biorefineries.

**How to Apply:** Details about how to apply are available in the March 11, 2011 Federal Register, page 13349.

**Website:** <http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentidonly=true&content=2011/03/0116.xml>

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**Program:** The Bioenergy Program for Advanced Biofuels

**Deadline:** May 10, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA

**Federal Funding:** \$85 Million

**Description:** The Bioenergy Program for Advance Fuels works to support and ensure an expanding production of advanced biofuels by providing payments to eligible advanced biofuels producers. To be eligible for payments, advanced biofuels must be produced from renewable biomass, excluding corn kernel starch, in a biofuel facility located in a state. Advanced biofuels are derived from renewable biomass to include cellulose, sugar and starch, crop residue, vegetative waste material, animal waste, food and yard waste, vegetable oil, animal fat, and biogas (including landfill gas and sewage waste treatment gas).

**How to Apply:** Details about how to apply are available in the March 11, 2011 Federal Register, page 13345.

**Website:**<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentidonly=true&contentid=2011/03/0116.xml>

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**Program:** Community Connect Grant Program

**Deadline:** May 3, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA

**Description:** Funds may be used to build broadband infrastructure and establish a community center which offers free public access to broadband for two years. USDA Invites Applications for Grants to Connect Rural Communities to Broadband Service.

**How to Apply:** [http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp\\_commconnect.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp_commconnect.html)

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**Program:** Connecting Rural America: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program

**Deadline:** April 25, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA – Rural Utilities Service

**Description:** The Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Program is specifically designed to meet the educational and health care needs of rural America through the use of advanced telecommunications technologies.

**How to Apply:** <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/supportdocuments/2011-dlt-app-guide-Final-Feb-23-2011.pdf>

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**Program:** Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP)

**Deadline:** April 29, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA

**Federal Funding:** Funding for this project was a direct result of a grant proposal by the Alabama Farmers Federation, the Alabama Soil and Water Conservation Committee, and the Alabama Universities Irrigation Initiative.

**Description:** The Agricultural Water Enhancement Program promotes ground and surface water conservation and improves water quality by helping farmers and ranchers implement agricultural water enhancement activities. Alabama AWEP will focus on the installation of upland storage ponds. Stored water will be used during the summer for irrigation.

**How to Apply:** <http://www.alfafarmers.org/headlines/headline.phtml?id=5922>

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**Program:** USDA Announces Value-Added Producer Grant Program Changes

**Begins:** These changes take effect on March 25, 2011

**Funding Agency:** USDA

**Description:** Deputy Agriculture Secretary Kathleen Merrigan recently announced changes to the Value Added Producer Grant Program that will provide additional opportunities to beginning and socially disadvantaged farmers. The changes will also assist independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and will support local and regional supply networks."Improvements to this popular program will create additional economic and job opportunities by helping owners of small and medium-sized family farms sell their products in local and regional markets, part of our drive to 'win the future,'" Merrigan said. "USDA investments such as these are part of the Obama administration's work to support farmers, ranchers and rural businesses."

How to Apply: [http://www.thetandd.com/business/article\\_381eec86-46cc-11e0-91c9-001cc4c03286.html](http://www.thetandd.com/business/article_381eec86-46cc-11e0-91c9-001cc4c03286.html)

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### U.S. Department of Education

**Program:** Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Grant Program (Federal Register: March 10, 2011 [CFDA# 84.371C])

**Deadline:** April 1<sup>st</sup> for intent and May 9<sup>th</sup> for transmittal

**Funding Agency:** Education

**Federal Funding:** \$178,000,000

**Description:** The purpose of the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy grant program (SRCL) is to advance literacy skills -- including pre-literacy skills, reading, and writing -- for students from birth through grade 12, including limited-English-proficient students and students with disabilities.

How to Apply: <http://www2.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2011-1/031011e.html>

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**Program:** Paraprofessional Pre-service Program Improvement Grants (Federal Register: March 11, 2011 [CFDA# 84.325N])

**Deadline:** April 25, 2011

**Funding Agency:** Ed

**Federal Funding:** Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$150,000

**Description:** The purposes of this program are to (1) help address State-identified needs for highly qualified personnel -- in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education -- to work with infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities; and (2) ensure that those personnel have the necessary skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through scientifically based research and experience, to be successful in serving those children.

**How to Apply:** <http://www2.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2011-1/031111b.html>

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**Program:** Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities-- Steppingstones of Technology Innovation for Children with Disabilities (Phase 1) CFDA Number 84.327A

**Deadline:** Apr 21, 2011

**Funding Agency:** Education

**Federal Funding:** Total program funding is 1.2 million; Award ceiling is \$200,000

**Description:** The purposes of the Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities program are to: (1) Improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology; (2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities; and (3) provide support for captioning and video description that are appropriate for use in the classroom setting.

**How to apply:**  
<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=4yj1N3vMRIY4FQLn2pCb21Q1zV1X1J2QjQgT613yJ4VLQF4hPwhZ!-1346415011?oppId=76953&mode=VIE>

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**Program:** Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Presidential Academies CFDA Number 84.215A

**Deadline:** April 25, 2011

**Funding Agency:** Department of Education

**Federal Funding:** Estimated Available Funds: \$1,805,925

**Description:** This program supports the establishment of Presidential Academies for Teaching of American History and Civics (Presidential Academies) that offer workshops for both veteran and new teachers of American history and civics to strengthen their knowledge and preparation for teaching these subjects

**How to Apply:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-02-22/pdf/2011-3913.pdf>

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**Program:** **Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive Grant Program**  
(Federal Register: February 23, 2011 [CFDA# 84.382A])

**Deadline:** April 25, 2011

**Funding Agency:** Education

**Federal Funding:** Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$600,000.  
Estimated Number of Awards: 25

**Description:** The purpose of the Predominantly Black Institutions (PBI) Program is to strengthen PBIs to carry out programs in the following areas: science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM); health education; internationalization or globalization; teacher preparation; or improving educational outcomes of African-American males.

**How to Apply:** <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/pbi/index.html>

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### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

**Program:** 10th Annual National Award for Smart Growth Achievement

**Deadline:** April 6, 2011. Applications must be submitted using the official entry form. There is one entry form for all four categories. The categories are:

**Programs, Policies, and Regulations:** This category recognizes regulatory and policy initiatives that support the principles of smart growth. EPA is particularly interested in actions that remove barriers to or provide incentives for smart growth.

**Smart Growth and Green Building:** This category recognizes development that combines smart growth and green building approaches as building design and materials are integrated with land use and location efficiency. Projects may be single or multiple buildings.

**Civic Places:** This category recognizes projects in the public realm that improve a community's sense of place while adding environmental and economic benefits. EPA is particularly interested in projects that create well-designed and vibrant public spaces.

**Rural Smart Growth:** This category recognizes communities that preserve and encourage rural economies and character. EPA is interested in thriving rural areas that have used smart growth approaches to encourage economic development and job creation, improve transportation choices and housing options, and support the economic viability of working lands.

**How to Apply:** [Click here to download the official award guidelines and entry form \(MS Word\)](#)

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## **U.S. Department of Health & Human Services**

**Program:** Medicaid Incentives for Prevention of Chronic Diseases (MIPCD)

**Deadline:** May 2, 2011

**Funding Agency:** Department of Health

**Federal Funding:** Award Ceiling - \$10,000,000

**Description:** As part of the nation's efforts to prevent an increase in the number of people with chronic health conditions, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced a new, \$100 million program, authorized by Section 4108 of the Affordable Care Act, allowing states to offer incentives to Medicaid enrollees who adopt healthy behaviors such as quitting smoking or losing weight. States may apply to CMS for grants to fund programs that demonstrate changes in health risk and outcomes, including the adoption of healthy behaviors.

**How to Apply:** CMS' press release is attached and States can get more information about the incentive grants at <http://www.cms.gov/MIPCD/>. Additionally, the funding opportunity announcement can be viewed at:

**Website:**<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=WsRQNmsSq1M61GGxqTnrjwvHMXcyfsTJwQkWnPQyyJk9t2QX73p!-2044696977?oppId=73653&mode=VIEW>

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### **U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development**

**Program:** Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly: 14.157 -- Supportive Housing for the Elderly

**Deadline:** Jun 01, 2011

**Funding Agency:** HUD - Community Development Housing

**Federal Funding:** \$371,000,000

**Description:** HUD provides capital advances and contracts for project rental assistance in accordance with 24 CFR part 891. Capital advances must be used for the construction or rehabilitation of a structure, or acquisition of a structure with or without rehabilitation.

**How to Apply:**  
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=tL0jN6jYLnYLb0gCJxC1HXBh2LdVLMylgjC2Pnb2hhrp4Tnc6HTK!-1340247554?oppId=76835&mode=VIEW>

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### **U.S. Department of Justice**

**Program:** SMART FY 2011 Comprehensive Approaches to Sex Offender Management Training and Technical Assistance Program – CFDA – 16.203

**Deadline:** April 28, 2011

**Funding Agency:** DOJ

**Federal Funding:** \$1,850,000

**Description:** Comprehensive Approaches to Sex Offender Management Program (CASOM) - The CASOM Program is authorized for the purpose of providing training and technical assistance to sex

offender management personnel in the areas of case management, treatment, and supervision.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=78673>

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**Program:** BJA FY 11 Encouraging Innovation: Field-Initiated Programs-  
CFDA Number(s):16.751 -- Edward Byrne Memorial  
Competitive Grant Program

**Deadline:** 04/21/2011

**Funding Agency:** Department of Justice

**Federal Funding:** Award ceiling - \$350,000

**Description:** BJA is seeking proposals from eligible organizations to develop and implement new and innovative strategies that better enable local criminal justice systems to prevent and respond to emerging and chronic crime problems that affect many communities in the United States.

**How to Apply:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=73633>

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**Department of Labor**

**Program:** Stand Down Grants

**Funding Agency:** Department of Labor

**Federal Funding:** A maximum of \$10,000 per multi-day event or \$7,000 for a one-day event can be awarded.

**Description:** The U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service today announced the availability of \$600,000 in "Stand Down" grants that will provide an estimated 10,000 homeless veterans with opportunities to reintegrate into society.

The grants are being awarded under the department's Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program.

**How to Apply:** <http://s.dol.gov/D9>

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### **Department of Transportation**

**Program:** Off Highway Vehicle Ethics Training

**Deadline:** April 8, 2011

**Funding Agency:** DOT - Recreational Trails Program

**Federal Funding:** Award ceiling - \$400,000

**Description:** Develop and operate an off highway vehicle (OHV) ethics training program; identify, coordinate and enhance OHV ethics training opportunities; convene and coordinate training programs and courses that focus on outdoor ethics for motorized and mechanized recreation.

**How to Apply:**  
<http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/opportunities/instructions/oppDTFH61-11-RA-00006-cfda20.219-instructions.pdf>

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### **NASA Headquarters**

**Program:** ROSES 2011: Astrophysics Data Analysis

**Deadline:** May 13, 2011

**Funding Agency:** NASA Headquarters: Science and Technology and other Research and Development

**Description:** This NASA Research Announcement (NRA) solicits proposals for supporting basic and applied research and technology across a broad range of Earth and space science program elements relevant to one or more of the following NASA Research Programs: Earth Science, Heliophysics, Planetary Science, and Astrophysics. This

ROSES NRA covers all aspects of basic and applied supporting research and technology in space and Earth sciences, including, but not limited to: theory, modeling, and analysis of SMD science data; aircraft, stratospheric balloon, suborbital rocket, and commercial reusable rocket investigations

**How to Apply:** <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=77393>

### **Section III PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS**

**Program:** ALFA -- AG in the Classroom

**Deadline:** April 15, 2011

**Description:** This teacher workshop will include integrated agricultural activities for grades K-6 and field trips to active farms. Participants will receive innovative materials and teaching strategies that will increase student knowledge of the nutritional and economic importance of the food and fiber systems in their daily lives.

**How to Apply:** <http://www.alabamaaitc.org/mini-grants/>

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**Program:** National Fish and Wildlife Foundation  
The Nature of Learning Grant Program

**Deadline:** 04/01/2011

**Description:** The Nature of Learning is the FWS National Wildlife Refuge System's community-based environmental education initiative that seeks to:

Start-Up grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded on a competitive basis to support initial expenses associated with new programs. Follow-Up grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded on a comprehensive basis to provide continued support to existing The Nature of Learning Programs.

Before submitting an application, please carefully review the guidelines and conservation goals for the applicable [Keystone Initiative](#).

Please leave a message at 202-595-2497 if you have immediate questions and someone will get back to shortly. You can also email for support at [info@nfwf.org](mailto:info@nfwf.org).

**Website:**[http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Charter\\_Programs\\_List&Template=/TaggedPage/TaggedPageDisplay.cfm&TPLID=61&ContentID=13554](http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Charter_Programs_List&Template=/TaggedPage/TaggedPageDisplay.cfm&TPLID=61&ContentID=13554)

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**Program:** America the Beautiful Fund

**Description:** Operation Green Plant - Free Seeds! America the Beautiful Fund is a national non-profit organization started in 1965 to encourage volunteer citizen efforts and to protect the natural and historic beauty of America. To request a grant of vegetable seeds, flower seeds and/or herb seeds:

**How to Apply:** [http://www.freeseeds.us/free\\_seeds/free\\_seeds\\_flyer\\_11.pdf](http://www.freeseeds.us/free_seeds/free_seeds_flyer_11.pdf)

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**Program:** Baseball Tomorrow Fund Grants

**Deadline:** April 01, 2011

**Funding:** Maximum Award Average is \$39,000

**Description:** The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF) will initially evaluate your request based on the following key criteria – Does this project... Increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs? Improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs? Create new or innovative ways of expanding and improving baseball or softball programs? Generate matching funds? Address programs for children aged 10-16? Support existing programs which have demonstrated success in providing a quality baseball or softball experience for youth? Address opportunities for minorities and women?

**How to Apply:** [http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/official\\_info/community/btf\\_grant\\_process.jsp](http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/official_info/community/btf_grant_process.jsp)

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**Program:** ING Run For Something Better Invites Applications for School Award Program

**Deadline:** May 1, 2011

**Funding:** \$2,500

**Description:** [ING Run For Something Better](#), in partnership with the [National Association for Sport and Physical Education](#), has announced that it will provide a minimum of fifty grants of up to \$2,500 each to U.S. public elementary and middle schools planning to establish a school-based running program or expand an existing one. Awards are available to programs with at least twenty-five kindergarten to eighth-grade students who have committed to participate. To be eligible, programs must be at least eight weeks in duration. Visit the NASPE Web site for the complete school award program guidelines and application.

**How to Apply:**

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=328200029](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=328200029)

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**Program:** MacArthur Foundation Accepting Proposals for Documentary Film Grants

**Deadline:** June 1, 2011

**Funding:** The typical MacArthur documentary film grant is between \$100,000 and \$200,000.

**Description:** The Media, Culture, and Special Initiatives program at the [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) is accepting proposals for its 2011 documentary film grants program. The program seeks to fund documentary film projects that address the significant social challenges of our time or explore important but under-reported topics.

**How to Apply:** [http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=328100020](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=328100020)

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**Program:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Invites Applications for Public Health Law Research: Making the Case for Laws That Improve Health

**Deadline:** April 20, 2011

**Funding:** Up to \$2.85 million in total funding is available under this Call for Proposals. Short-term studies of up to eighteen-months are eligible for awards of up to \$150,000 each. Complex and comprehensive studies of up to thirty-months are eligible for awards of up to \$450,000 each.

**Description:** Public Health Law Research, a national program of the [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#), seeks to build the evidence for and strengthen the use of regulatory, legal, and policy solutions to improve public health and help people lead healthier lives.

**How to Apply:** [http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=327800028](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=327800028)

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**Program:** BoatUS Foundation Invites Applications for Boating Safety and Environmental Education Grant Program

**Deadline:** April 1, 2011

**Funding:** Grants of up to \$4,000 each will be awarded. A total of \$50,000 in funding is available through this grant cycle.

**Description:** The [BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water](#), a national nonprofit organization supported by members of the [Boat Owners Association of the United States](#), is accepting applications for its annual Grassroots Grants Program. This program provides funding for local projects that educate boaters on boating safety and clean boating topics.

**How to Apply:** Visit the BoatUS Foundation Web site for complete program information and see opportunity in link below:

**Website:** [http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=328400023](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=328400023)

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## Community Foundations in Alabama

Please Visit: <http://www.nonprofitexpert.com/community%20foundations/al.htm>

Autauga Area Community Foundation  
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.  
434 North McDonough  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Phone: 334-264-6223

The Community Foundation of Baldwin County  
c/o Southeast Alabama Community Foundation  
434 North McDonough  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Phone: 251-438-5591

Black Belt Community Foundation  
609 Lauderdale Street  
Selma, AL 36701-4555  
Phone: 334-874-1126  
Contact: Felecia L. Jones, Executive Director

The Greater Brewton Foundation  
P.O. Box 87  
Brewton, AL 36427  
Contact: John David Finlay, Jr., Pres.

Community Foundation of Calhoun County  
1000 Quintard Ave., Ste. 307  
P.O. Box 1826  
Anniston, AL 36202  
Telephone: 256-231-5160 Fax: 256-231-5161  
Contact: Wayne Carmello-Harper, President and CEO  
Email: [wcarhar@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:wcarhar@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
For general information: [info@yourcommunityfirst.org](mailto:info@yourcommunityfirst.org)  
Website: <http://www.yourcommunityfirst.org/>

Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.  
P.O. Box 427  
Montgomery, AL 36101-0427  
Telephone: 334-264-6223 Fax: 334-263-6225  
Contact: Carol W. Butler, Executive Director  
Email: [cacf@bellsouth.net](mailto:cacf@bellsouth.net)  
Website: <http://www.cacfinfo.org>

Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley  
11 10th St.  
P.O. Box 1620  
Columbus, GA 31902-1620  
Telephone: 706-320-0027 Fax: 706-320-9331  
Contact: Betsy W. Covington, Exec. Dir.  
Email: [bcovington@cfcv.com](mailto:bcovington@cfcv.com) For general information: [info@cfcv.com](mailto:info@cfcv.com)  
Website: <http://www.cfcv.com>

Elmore County Community Foundation  
c/o Central Alabama Community Foundation, Inc.

Post Office Box 11587  
434 North McDonough  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Phone: 334-264-6223

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham  
2100 First Ave. N., Ste. 700  
Birmingham, AL 35203  
Telephone: (205) 328-8641 Fax: (205) 328-6576  
Contact: Kate Nielsen, President  
Email: [knielsen@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:knielsen@foundationbirmingham.org)  
For general information: [Hinfo@foundationbirmingham.org](mailto:Hinfo@foundationbirmingham.org)  
Website: <http://www.foundationbirmingham.org>

The Community Foundation of Greater Decatur  
P.O. Box 2003  
Decatur, AL 35602  
phone: 256/353-5312  
Contact: Arthur W. Orr

Greater Huntsville Foundation  
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## **Environmental Education in Alabama Grants**

### **Syngenta IPM in School Gardens Grant -**

Syngenta and the National Gardening Association are partnering to offer a grant for high schools to promote the study of integrated pest management practices for home gardening and commercial farming. Five U.S. schools will receive a prize package of garden supplies worth \$1,500. Apply by March 21, 2011.

### **Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) Grants**

Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) is a competitive grant program that offers an innovative way for a community to organize and take action to reduce toxic pollution in its local environment. Through CARE, a community creates a partnership that implements

solutions to reduce releases of toxic pollutants and minimize people's exposure to them. Apply by 4 p.m. EST March 22, 2011.

### **Nature Hills Nursery Green America Awards**

The Nature Hills Nursery Green America Awards are designed to give national recognition and \$5,000 in plants to community groups and organizations that are improving their local environments. Apply by April 1, 2011.

### **American Wilderness Leadership School Scholarships**

The American Wilderness Leadership School was established in 1976 with the vision of providing educators with a useful, hands-on experience that they can use in the classroom. Teachers will have the opportunity to attend an eight-day course on wildlife conservation, land management issues and more. Teachers can apply for sponsorship to their local Safari Club International chapter by April 1, 2011.

### **Jamba Juice Fruit Tree Grants**

Schools and community garden programs in the U.S. gardening with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 are eligible to apply for this grant. Twenty recipients will receive fruit trees valued at \$500 and the Jamba Juice It's All About the Fruit Youth Garden Guide. Apply by April 11, 2011.

### **National Marine Educators Association Stipends and Scholarships**

The National Marine Educators Association is offering scholarships and stipends to attend its annual conference, June 29 to July 3, 2011 at Northeastern University in Boston. Each program has its own deadline: March 1, April 1 and April 15, 2011.

### **Dorothy Stout Professional Development Grants**

The National Association of Geoscience Teachers awards \$750 grants to faculty and students at two-year colleges and K-12 teachers to support participation in Earth science classes or workshops; attendance at professional scientific or science education meetings; participation in Earth science field trips; purchase of Earth science materials for classroom use. Applications must be received by April 15, 2011.

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## **Section IV SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **200 Free Scholarships For Minorities**

Website: <http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html>

### **Fast Web**

Website: <http://www.fastweb.com/>

### **Scholarship Experts**

Website: <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htx>

### **CBCF Scholarship Opportunities**

CBCF/Wal-Mart Strive for Excellence Scholarship - The Strive for Excellence scholarship was established in 2006 with a generous gift from Walmart to expand CBCF scholarship and internship programs. Walmart believes in a philosophy of operating globally and giving back locally. Accordingly, scholarship recipients have demonstrated the potential to make the greatest impact on the local community. The Strive for Excellence scholarship requires that the CBC member elect to participate in the program. Application Deadline: April 1, 2011

Website: <http://www.cbcfinc.org/cbcf-scholarships.html>

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